



***NASA Earth-Sun System:* National Policy Framework and External Constituencies**

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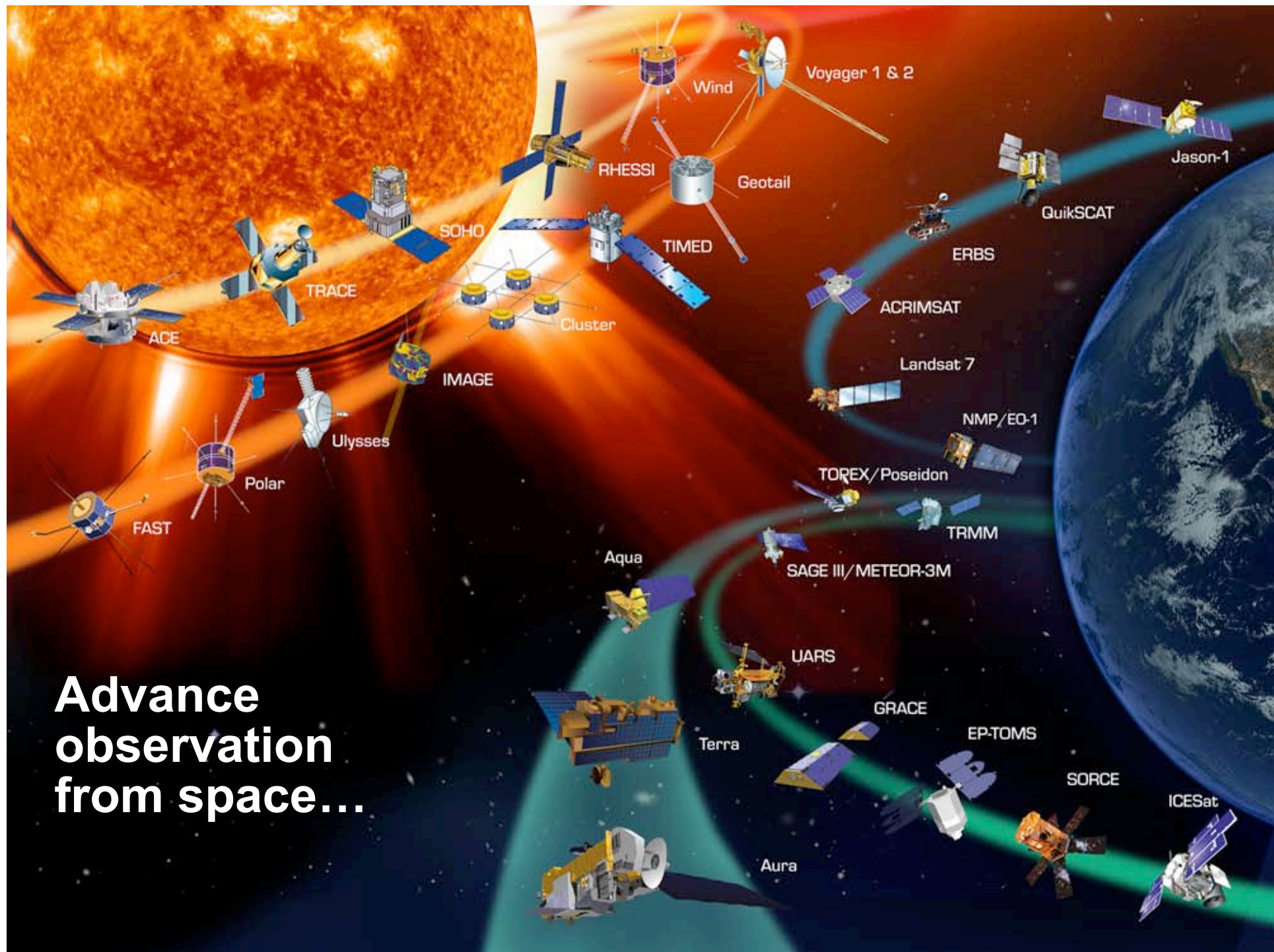
Agency Strategic Roadmap #9

- Title: Earth Science and Applications from Space
 - Short Title: “Earth”

- Objective: Research and technology development to
 - advance Earth observation from space,
 - improve scientific understanding, and
 - demonstrate new technologies with the potential to improve future operational systems



**Advance
observation
from space...**

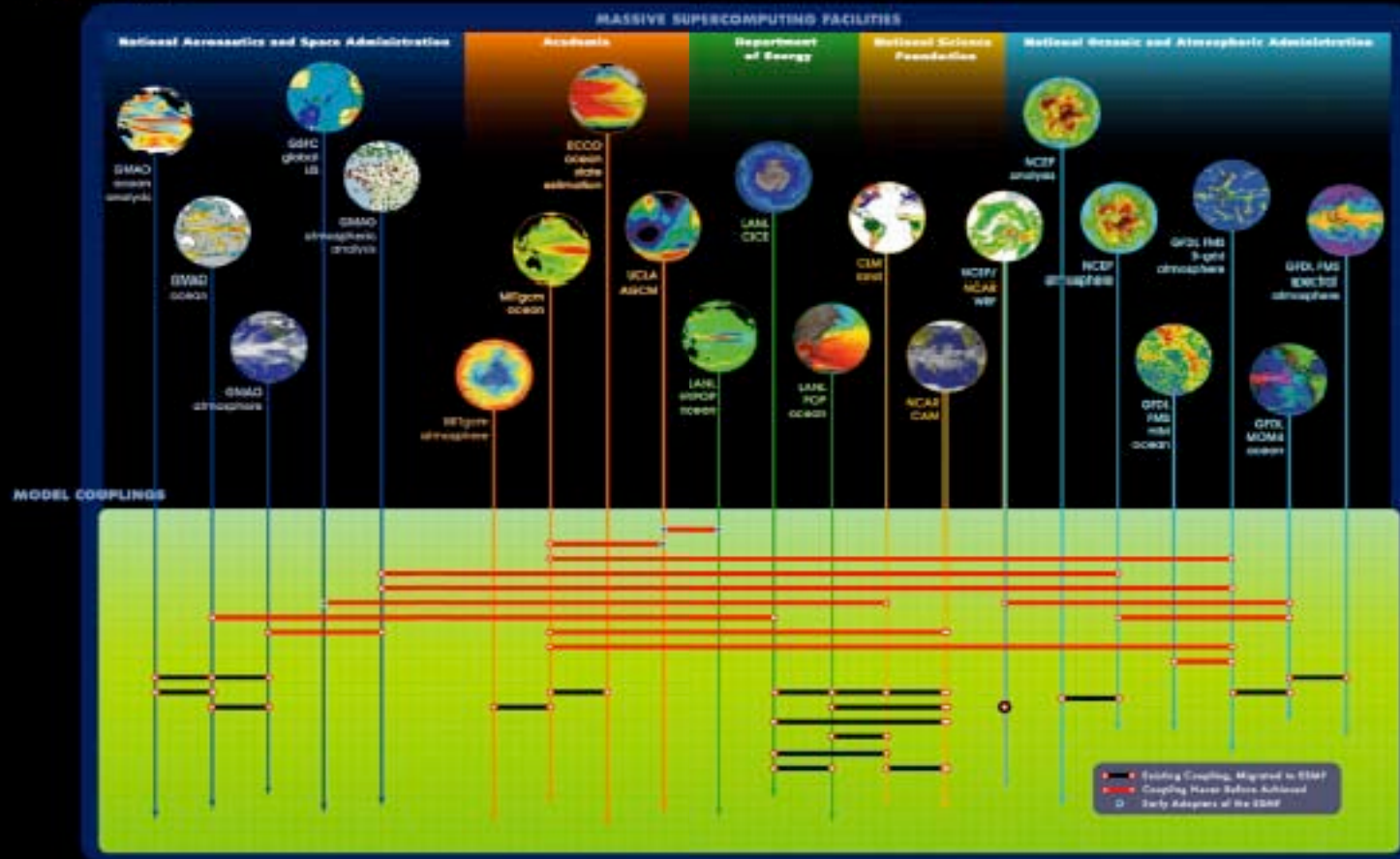


Improve scientific understanding ...

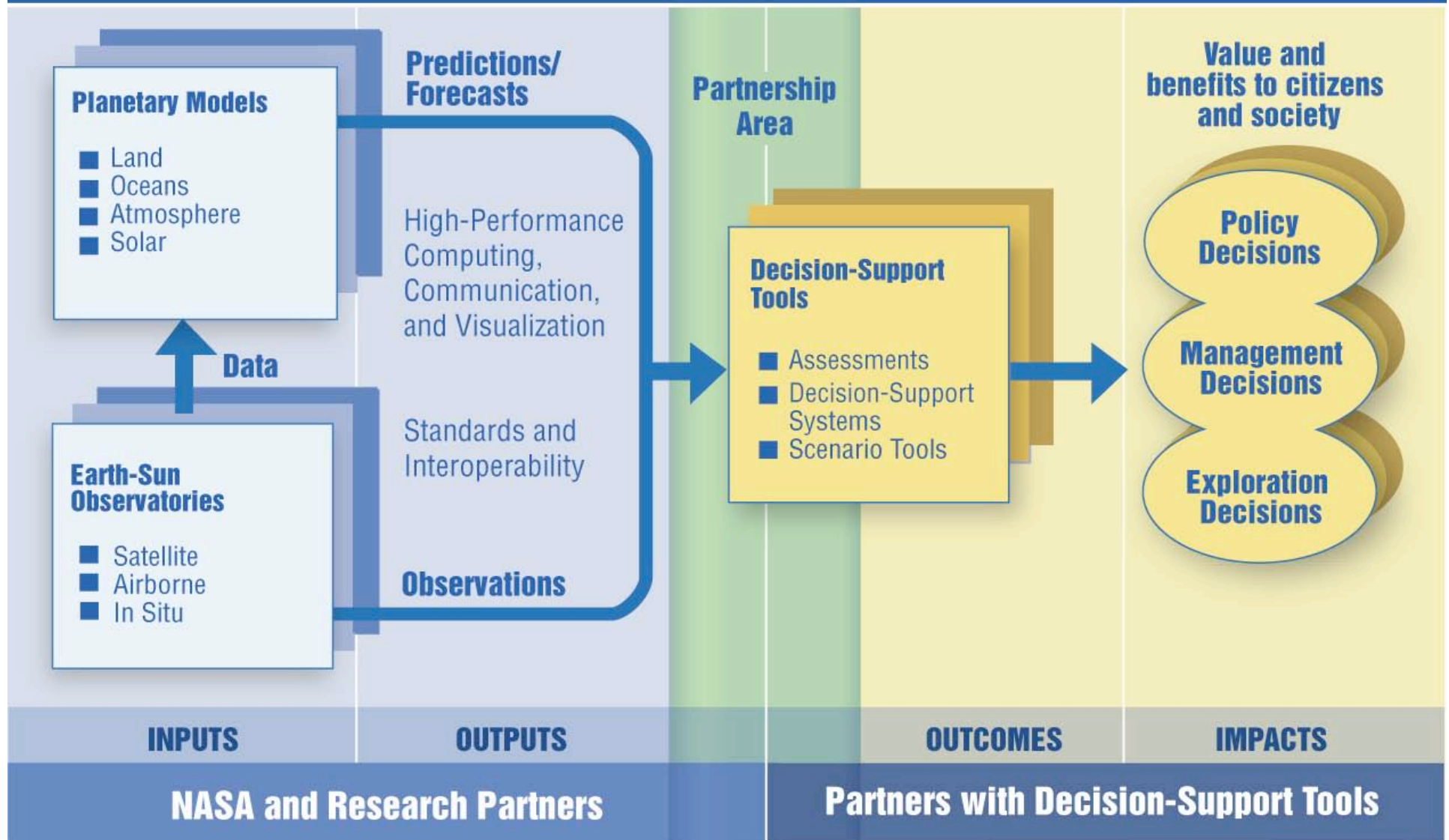
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EARTH SYSTEM MODELING FRAMEWORK

MODEL COMPONENTS

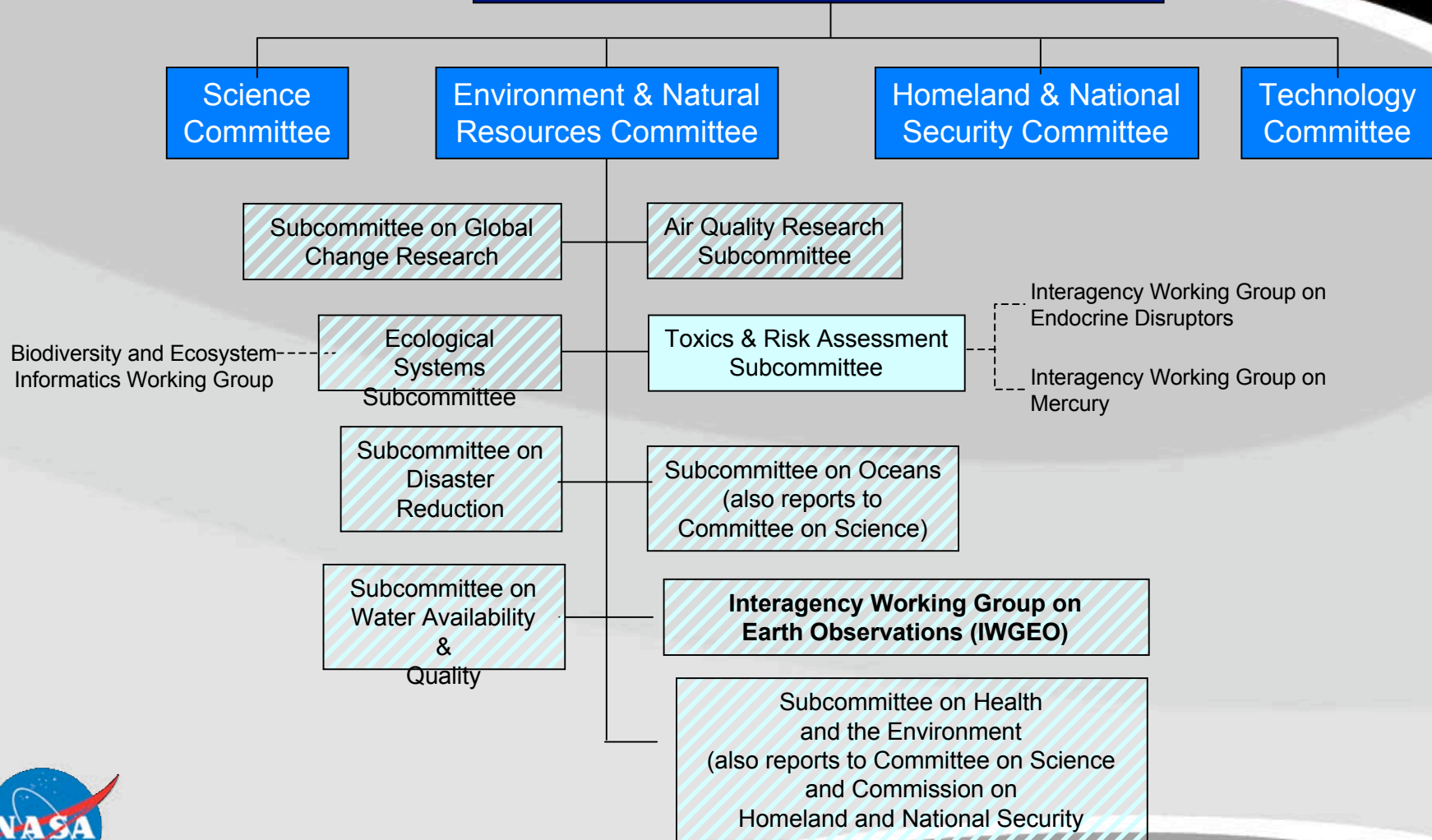


Demonstrate improvements to future operational systems

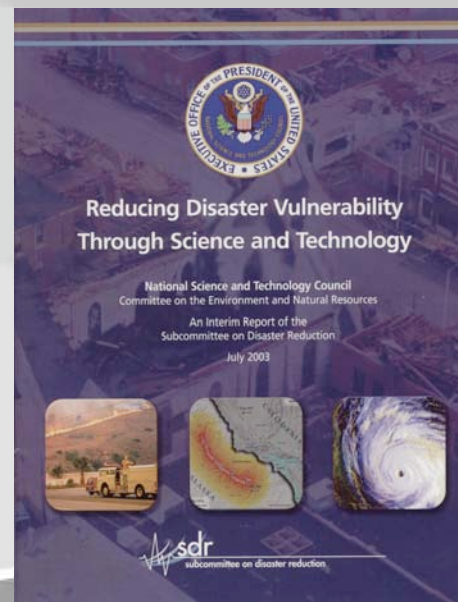
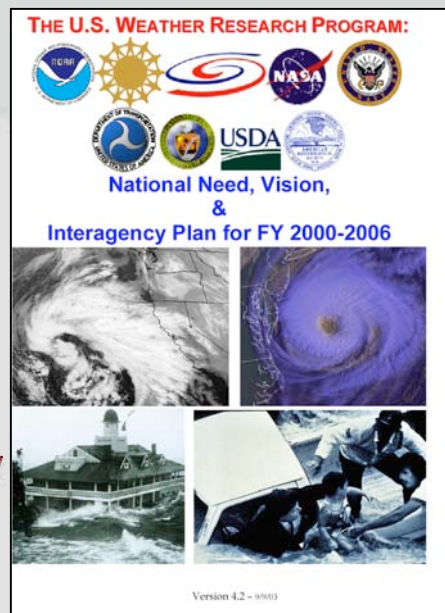
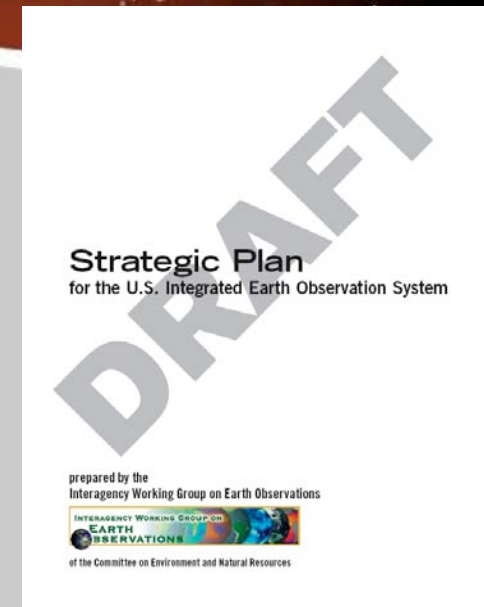
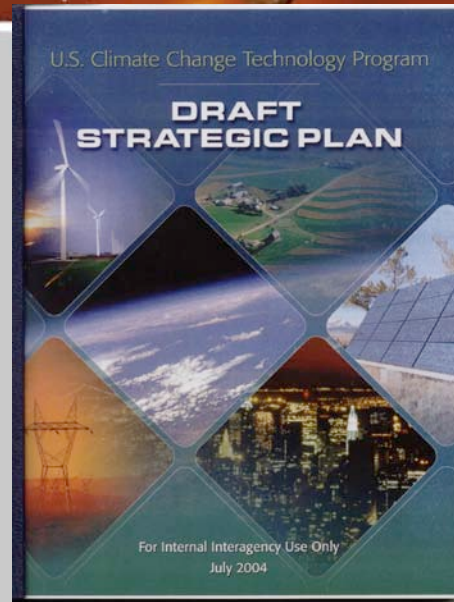
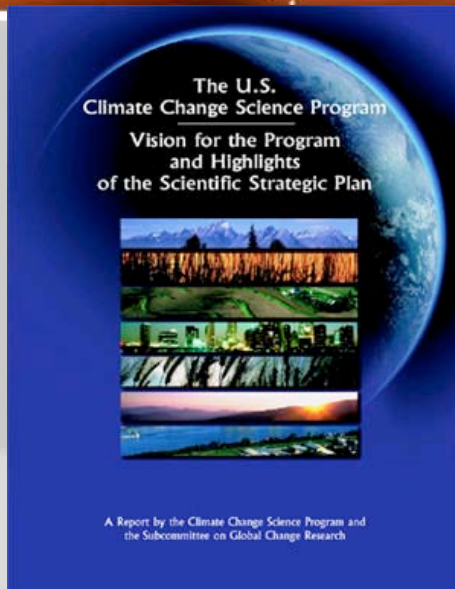


National Policy Framework

National Science and Technology Council



U.S. Plans for integrating Earth Observations



U.S. Commercial Remote Sensing Space Policy: Civil Agency Implementation Plan

December 12, 2003

Implementation Plan Working Group (IPWG)





National and International Programs benefiting from NASA R&D

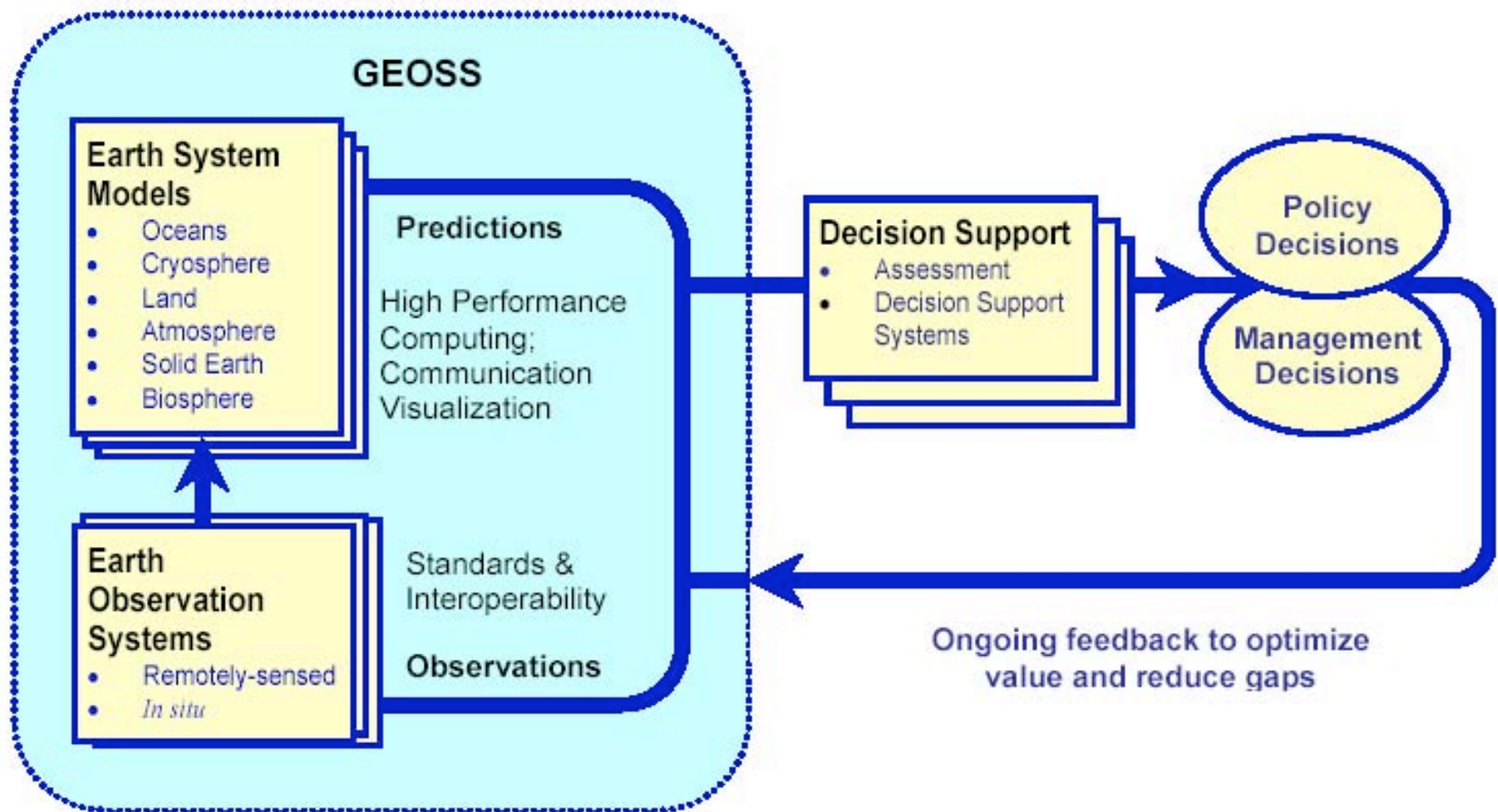
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Global Earth Observation	Interagency Working Group on Earth Observations (IWGEO) Integrated Earth Observation System, 17 Agencies	Group on Earth Observations (GEO) 55 countries, 33 international organizations
Climate Change	Climate Change Science Program (CCSP, 13 Agencies) Climate Change Technology Program (CCTP, 12 Agencies)	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
Weather	U.S. Weather Research Program (USWRP, 7 Agencies)	World Meteorological Organization (WMO) & THORPEX
Natural Hazards	Subcommittee on Natural Disaster Reduction (SDR, 14 Agencies)	International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR)
Sustainability	CENR Subcommittee on Ecosystems	World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD)
e-Government & Information Services	Geospatial One-Stop (GOS, 12 Agencies) and the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC, 19 Agencies)	World Summit on the Information Society
Commercial Remote Sensing	U.S. Commercial Remote Sensing Space Policy	

Earth Observation Summit I



Earth Observation Summit II





Group on Earth Observations

Focus on Societal Benefits



**Natural &
Human
Induced
Disasters**



**Water
Resources**



Ecosystems



**Human
Health &
Well-Being**



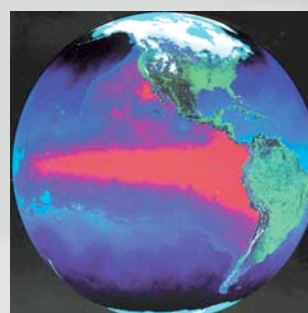
**Energy
Resources**



**Sustainable
Agriculture**



**Weather
Forecasting**



**Climate
Variability &
Change**



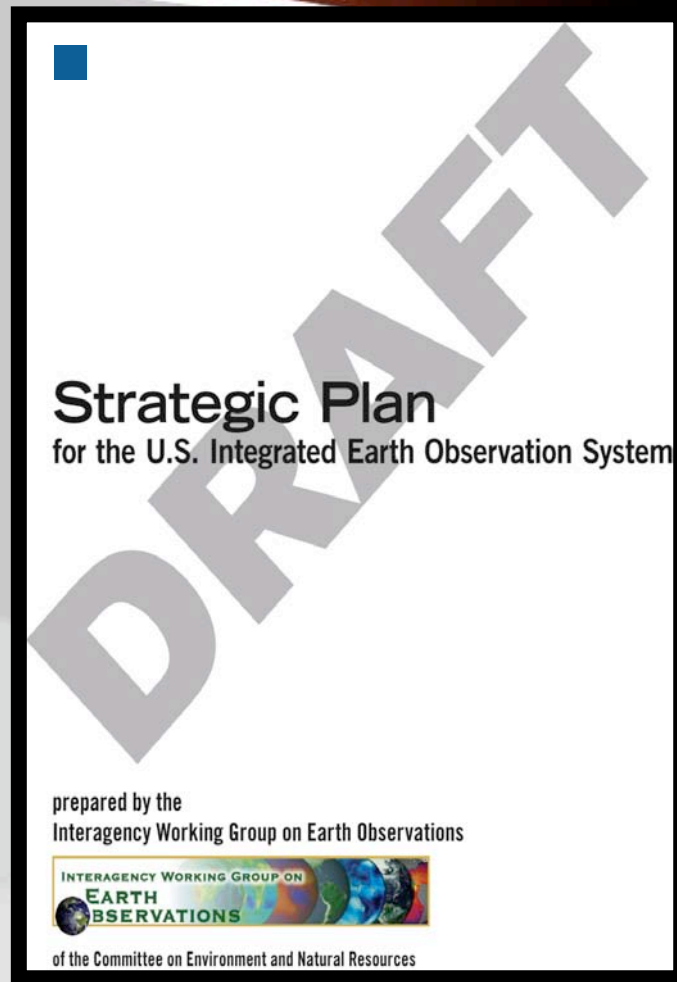
Oceans

U.S. Contribution to GEOSS

VISION

- Enable a healthy public, economy, and planet through an integrated, comprehensive, and sustained Earth observation system.

<http://iwgeo.ssc.nasa.gov>



IWGEO – U.S. Interagency Effort

Co-chaired by:

- Ghassem Asrar (NASA)
- Cliff Gabriel (OSTP)
- Greg Withee (NOAA)

TABLE KEY

P = primarily provides data

U = primarily uses data

B = uses/provides data

Societal Benefit Areas

Weather

Disasters

Oceans

Climate

Agriculture

Human Health

Ecology

Water

Energy

U.S. AGENCIES

DOC/NIST	DOC/NOAA	DOD	DOE	DHHS/NIEHS	DHS/FEMA	DOI/USGS	DOS	DOT	EPA	NASA	NSF	Tennessee Valley A.	Smithsonian	USAID	USDA
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Integration: 4 Perspectives

- Policy and Planning Integration
 - Focus on specific societal benefits
- Societal Issue Focused Integration
 - Integrated System Solutions
- Scientific Integration
 - Modeling of Earth processes
- Technical Systems Integration
 - Coordination of observing system technology and data management systems
 - Account for observing system evolution

NASA contribution to IWGEO/GEO



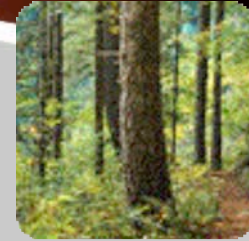
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Efficiency**



Air Quality



Aviation



**Carbon
Management**



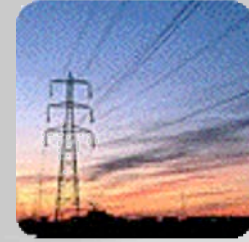
**Coastal
Management**



**Disaster
Management**



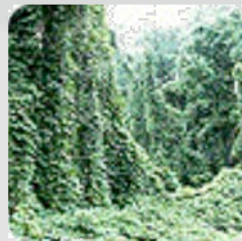
**Ecological
Forecasting**



**Energy
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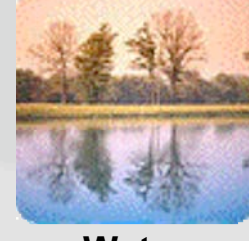
**Homeland
Security**



Invasive Species



Public Health



**Water
Management**



National Application	Partner Organizations	Decision-Support Systems
Agricultural Efficiency	USDA,NOAA	CADRE—Crop Assessment Data Retrieval and Evaluation (USDA)
Air Quality	EPA,NOAA,USDA	CMAQ—Community Multiscale Air Quality Modeling System AIRNow AQI—Air Quality Index
Aviation	DOT/FAA,NOAA	NAS-AWRP—National Air Space-Aviation Weather Research Program
Carbon Management	USDA,DOE,NOAA	CQUEST—Support to the Energy Act of 1992,Section 1605b
Coastal Management	NOAA,EPA,NRL	HAB—Harmful Algal Bloom Bulletin/Mapping System CREWS—Coral Reef Early Warning System
Disaster Management	DHS/FEMA,NOAA,USGS,USFS	AWIPS—Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System HAZUS-MH—Hazards U.S.—Multi-Hazards
Ecological Forecasting	USAID,NOAA,NPS,CCAD,USGS	SERVIR—Regional Visualization and Monitoring System
Energy Management	DOE,UNEP,NOAA,NRC	RETScreen—Energy Diversification Research Laboratory (CEDRL) NEMS—National Energy Modeling System
Homeland Security	DHS,USGS,NOAA,NGA,DOD	IOF—Integrated Operations Facility IMAAC—Interagency Modeling and Atmospheric Assessment Center
Invasive Species	USGS,USDA,NOAA	ISFS—Invasive Species Forecasting System
Public Health	NIH,CDC,DOD,EPA	PSS—Plague Surveillance System EPHTN—Environmental Public Health Tracking Network MMS—Malaria Monitoring and Surveillance RSVP—Rapid Syndrome Validation Project
Water Management	EPA,USDA,USGS,BoR	RiverWARE—Bureau of Reclamation decision-support Tool AWARDS—Agricultural Water Resources and decision-support Tool BASINS—Better Assessment Science Integrating Point and Nonpoint Source

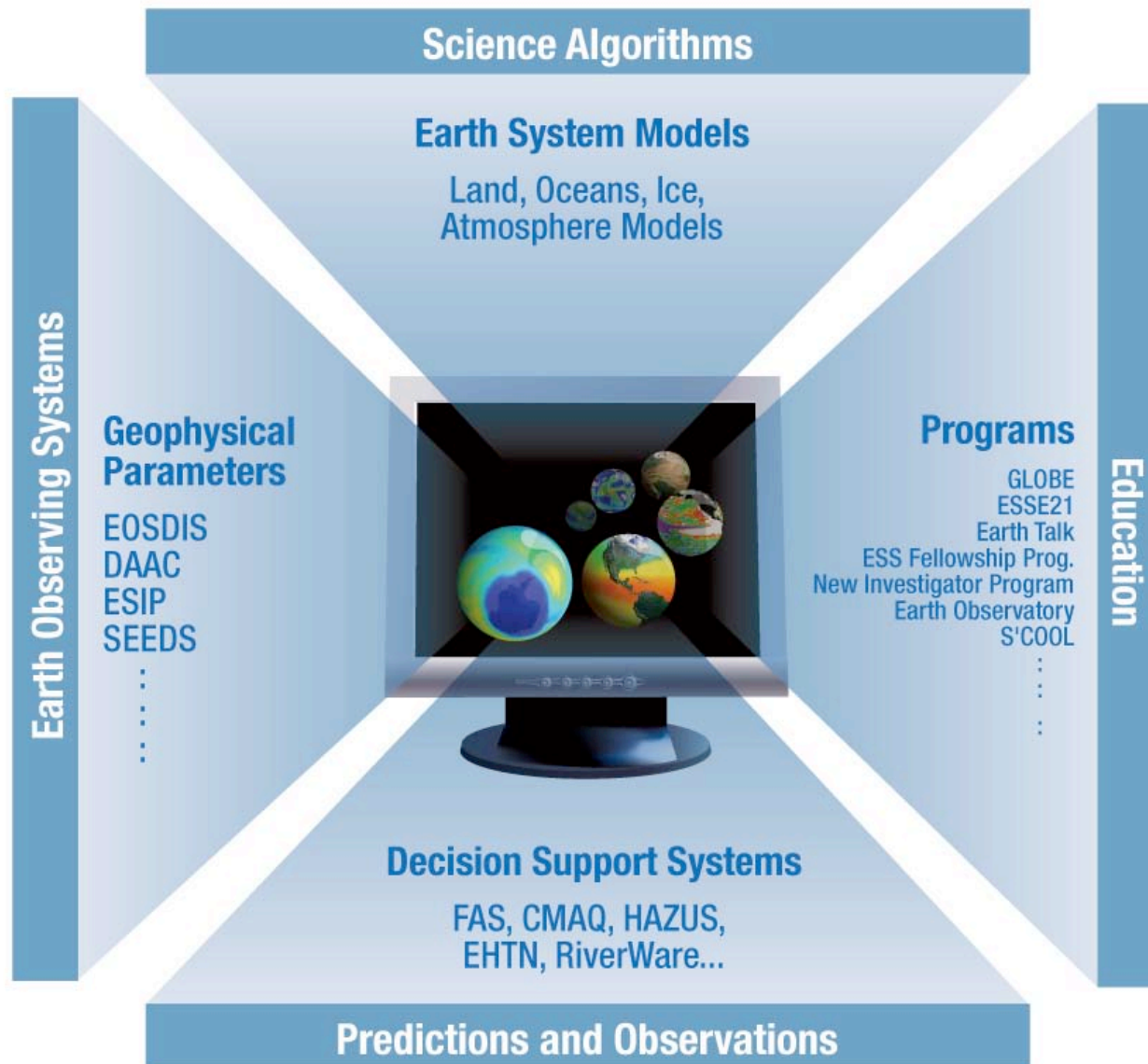


Near-Term Opportunities

- Data Management System for Earth Observations
- Improved Observations for Disaster Warnings
- Global Land Observing System
- Sea Level Observing System
- National Integrated Drought Information System
- Air Quality Assessment and Forecast System



Data Management: Earth-Sun System Gateway



Disaster Management

HAZUS-MH - Risk Assessment and Loss Estimation

State 2- Improved
Hurricane prediction
Flood prediction
Severe Storm prediction
Wildfire prevention and prediction
Earthquake prediction

January 12, 2004,
S. Ambrose

Primary Partners:



Transfer of advanced event-modeling capabilities using next-generation hardware, software, and communications

Outcomes:
Improvement of FEMA capabilities across all hazards and phases

Impacts:
Reduce losses across all disasters

Land use/Land cover, changes in earth's surface topography and Improved geodetic imaging, ocean measurements to track hurricanes

Outcomes:
Improvement of FEMA planning, and response capabilities to weather and natural hazards

Impacts:
Reduce losses across all weather-driven Disasters and earth movement

Improved measurements of soil moisture, global precipitation, water vapor, and wind

Outcomes:
Improvement in wildfire prediction, HAZUS-MH High Winds Module Final Version

Impacts:
Reduce losses related to hurricane, fire, and high wind disasters.

Understanding of Earth's gravity field And terrestrial reference frame changes in geomagnetic field and understanding of sea level change and climate

Outcomes:
Improvement of the HAZUS-MH earthquake assessments And flood inundation for coastal areas

Impacts:
Reduce losses related to hurricanes and earthquakes.

Production of assimilated data sets, reanalysis of long period observations

Outcomes:
Improvement in climate data and information for risk assessments

Impacts:
Reduce losses related to flood and wind disasters. Better community planning

State 1- Earthquake Damage assessment

An operational decision support system for quantification and verification of solutions for natural hazard predictions.

Socioeconomic Impact



QuikSCAT



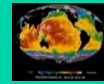
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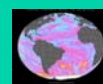
TRMM



OcnTopo



Hydros



* OSWinds



Aquarius



NPOESS

* Pre-formulation

2004

2005

2006

2008

2010

2020

Disaster Management

Integrated System Solutions



EARTH SYSTEM MODELS

- Weather: FVGCM, **ETA-12**, WRF
- Hurricane: HURSIM, H*Wind, HUREVAC
- Earthquake/Landslide: MMI, QuakeSim, GPS
- Flood: SLOSH, FLDWAVE, SBEACH, WAVEWATCH III, STWAVE, HURSURGE
- Damage Cost Models: ATC-13
- Wildfire: FARSITE, BEHAVE
- Terrain: **BARC**

**Supported Non-NASA Model*

Data

EARTH OBSERVATORIES

- Land Surface Topography/Land Use/Cover: LandSat SRTM, ASTER, TERRA/AQUA, AVHRR, **AURA**
- Wind/Weather: QuickSCAT, GOES, **AURA**, NPP, NPOESS, GOES-R
- Ocean Surface Height/Waves: Topex-Poseidon
- Global/Regional Precipitation: TRMM, AVHRR, GOES, DMSP, **GPM**

**Future Mission*

Predictions

- Hazard Maps
- Earthquake vulnerability and prediction
- Flooding and coastal inundation
- Hurricane/Typhoon Track and Intensity
- Precipitation amount
- Wind Velocity/Direction
- Surface Deformation

- Atmospheric Temperature Water Vapor, Winds
- Severe Weather (Lightning)
- Volcanic Ash
- Aerosols, Smoke
- Cloud Properties
- Global Precipitation
- Land/Terrain/Use/Veg
- Aquifers
- Wetlands

Observations

DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS

NOAA/AWIPS (Automated Weather Information Processing System)

- Weather prediction and observations
- Weather watches and warnings
- Data Dissemination Assimilation, models
- Public Access to information

DHS/FEMA HAZUS-MH – Hazards U. S.

- Disaster Mitigation/Preparedness
- Built Environment risk & loss
- Socio-economic impacts

USDA/Forest Service: RSAC - Remote Sensing Applications Center

- Wildfire location/intensity
- Post Fire Recovery
- Strategic/Tactical Operations

VALUE & BENEFITS

- Identify/Prioritize high-risk communities
- Reduction in lives and property lost
- Reduction in damage cost and time to recovery
- Anticipate the scope of disaster-related damage
- Improve disaster response
- Community Planning
- Land Resource preservation

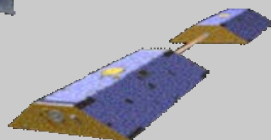
Disaster Management System



QuikScat



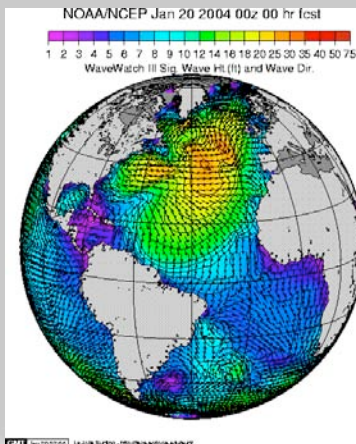
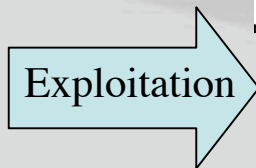
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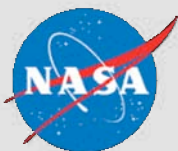
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Exploitation



Societal Benefits



EODIS & DAACs

Tools for Decision Makers



HAZUS_{MH}

can estimate losses from earthquakes, hurricane winds, and floods.

Use GIS technology to combine hazard layers with national databases and apply a standardized loss estimation and risk assessment methodology.

Nationwide database includes datasets on demographics, building stock, essential facilities, transportation, utilities, and high-potential-loss facilities.

Visit www.fema.gov/hazus for more information.

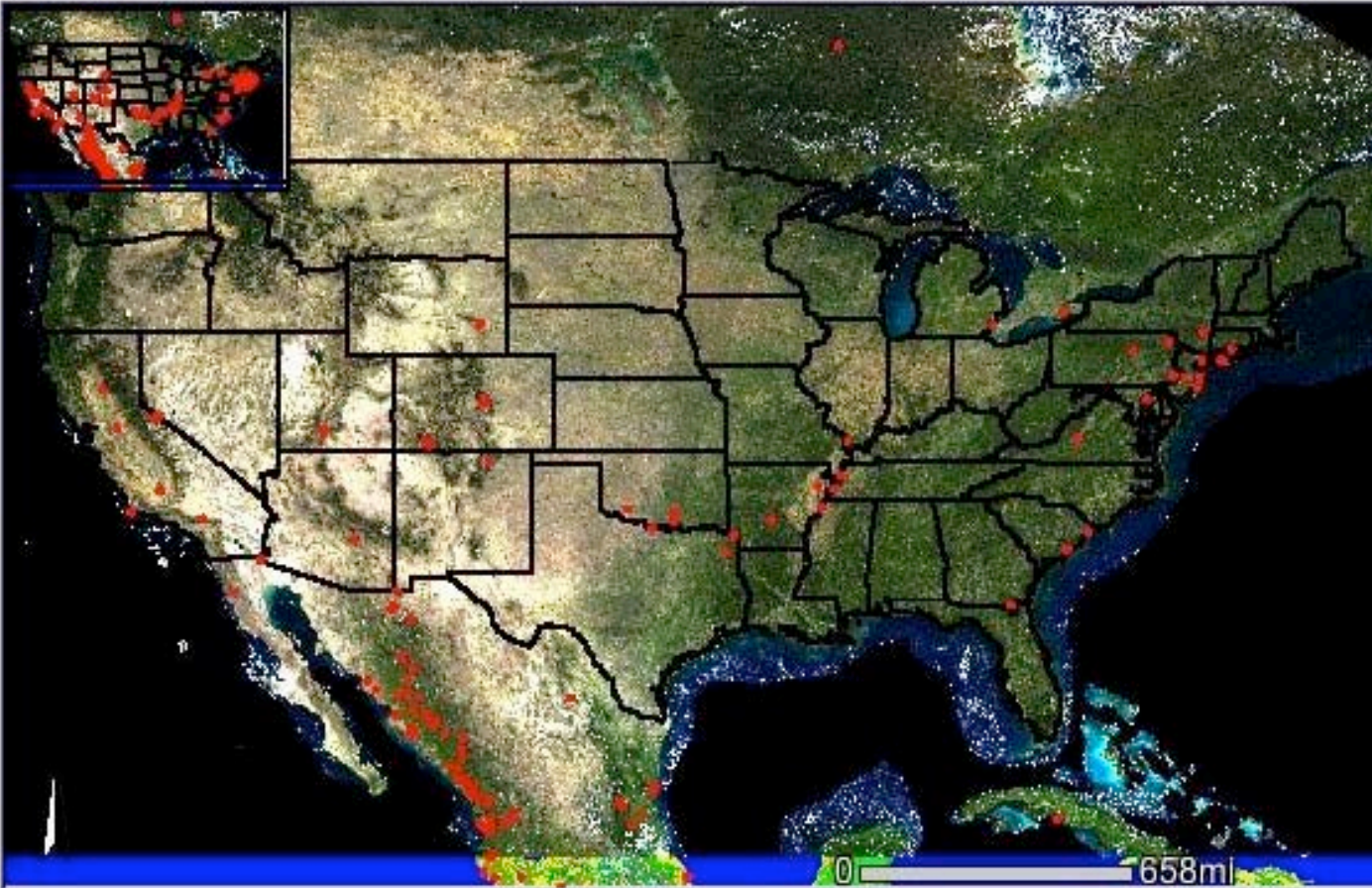


October 21-23, 2004

USFS/NASA Rapid Response Service



Continental US Web Fire Maps



Layers

Visible Active

- ☒ ☒ MODIS Active Fire Detections
- ☒ ☐ Continental US
- ☒ MODIS Surface Reflectance 500M
- ☒ AVHRR Land Cover (GLCF)

Refresh Map

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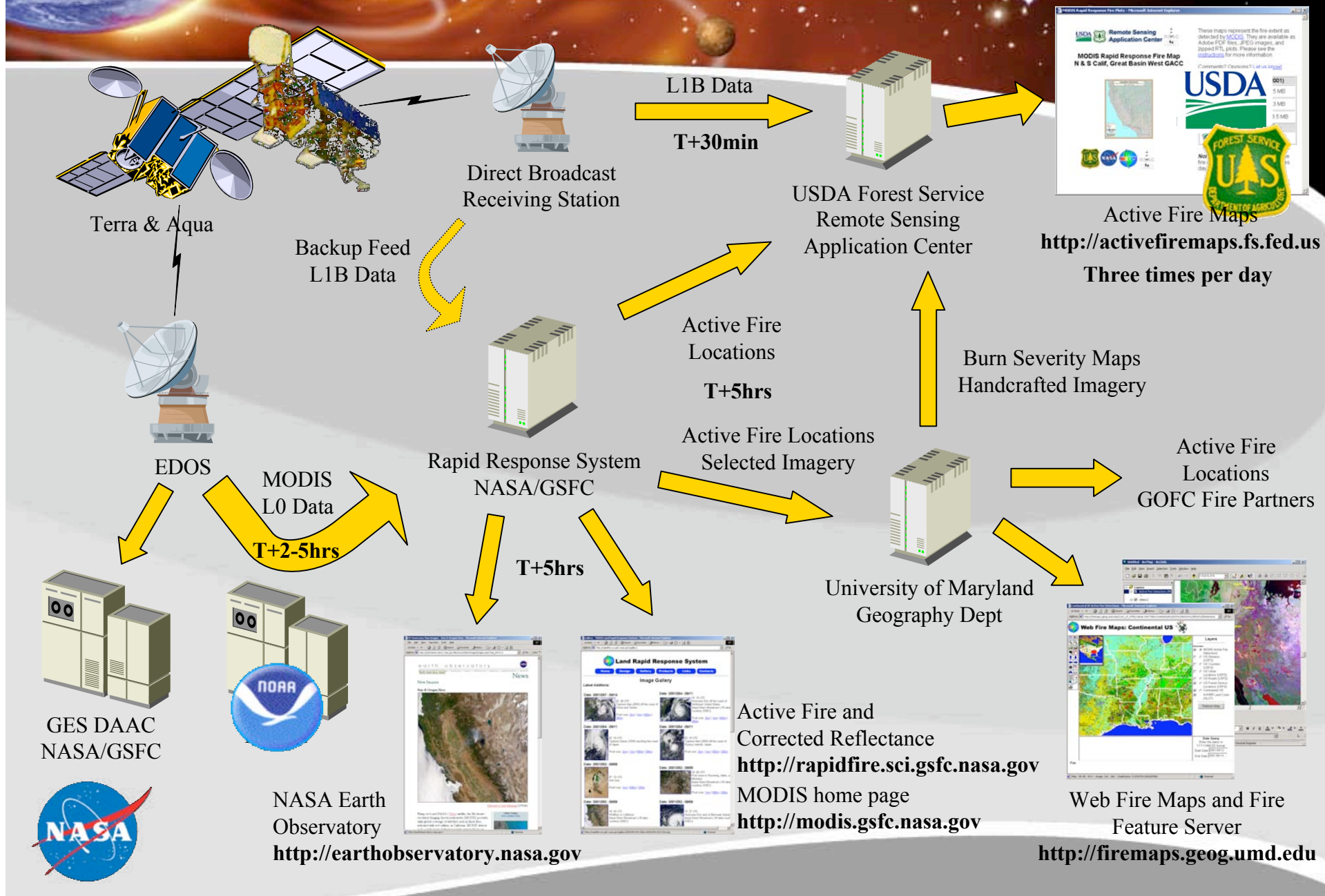
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Rapid Response Systems Architecture



Global Land Observing System

Vantage Points

Capabilities

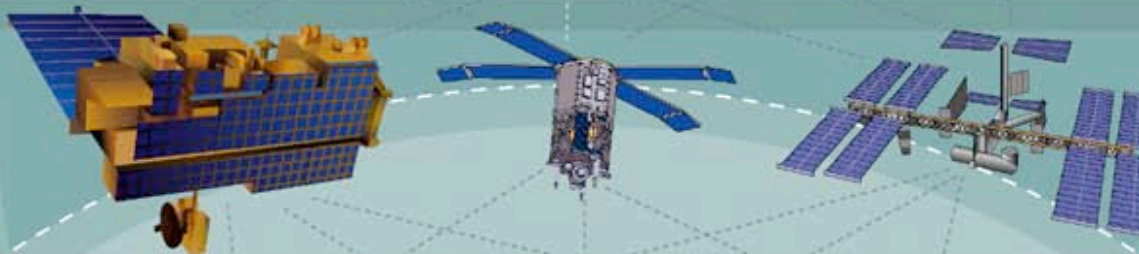
Far-Space



Permanent

LI/L2/HEO/GEO
Sentinel satellites for
continuous monitoring

Near-Space



LEO/MEO

Active & passive
sensors for trends
& process studies

Airborne



Deployable

Suborbital

In situ measurement
in research campaigns
& validation of new
remote sensors

Terrestrial



Surface-Based Networks

Ocean buoys, air samplers,
strain detectors, ground
validation sites

Information Systems

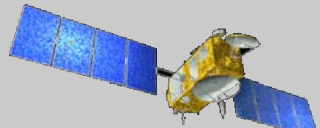
Data management, data
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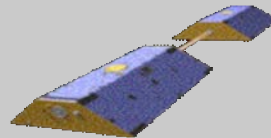
Drought Information System



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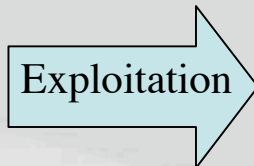
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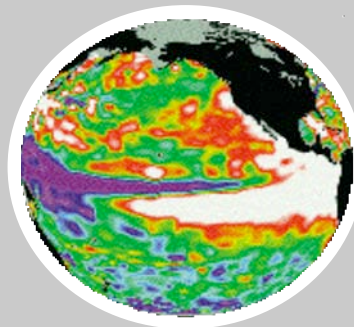
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Exploitation



EOSDIS & DAACs



Societal
Benefits

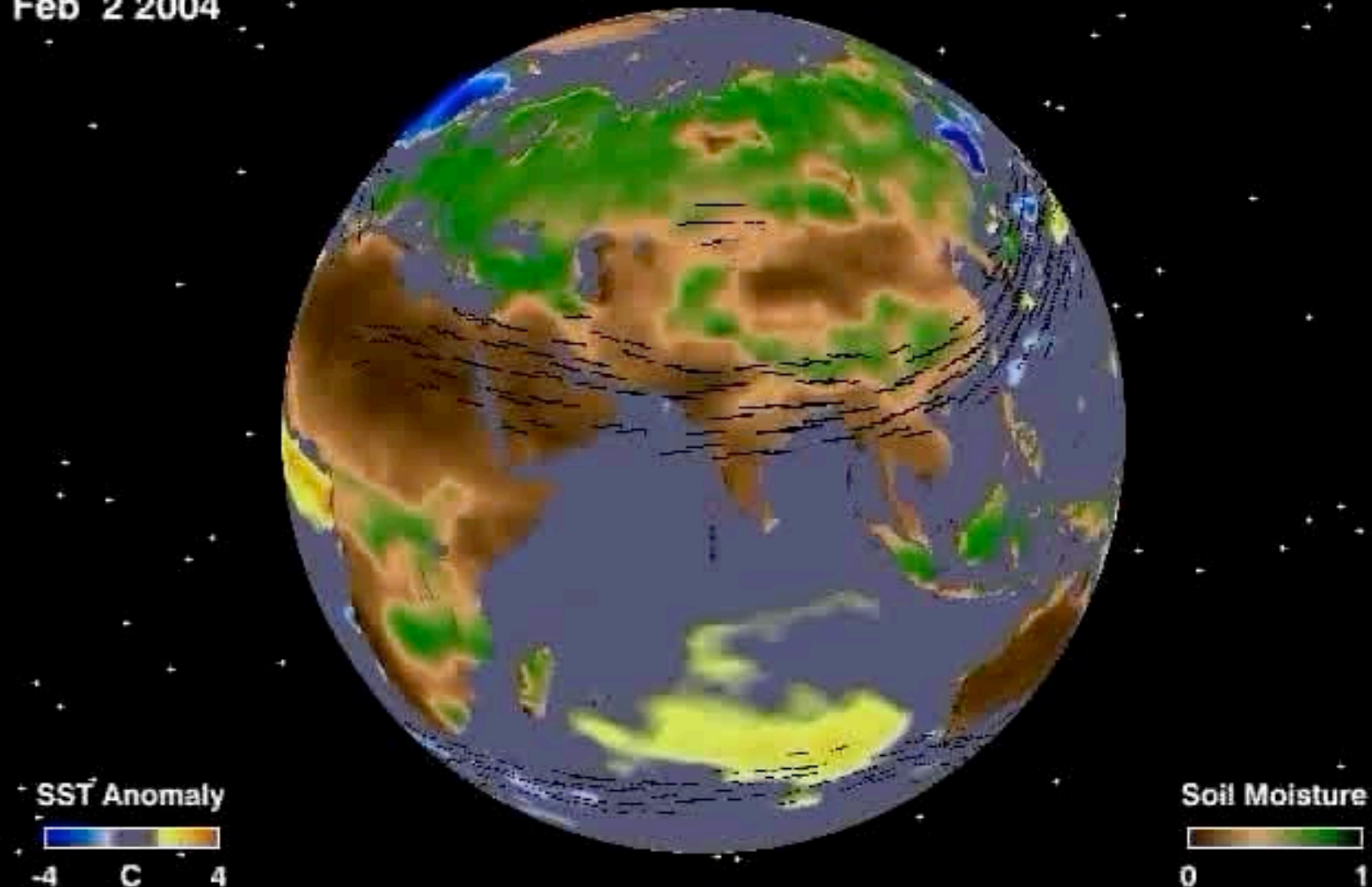


CADRE:
USDA Decision Support
System for Global Crop
Production Assessments

Evaluating 12 Month Coupled Climate Forecasts for Agriculture



Feb 2 2004



NSIPP Version 1 Coupled Forecast: Initialized February 2004

Agricultural Efficiency

Global Agricultural Production Assessments

January 22, 2004,
E. Sheffner

Transition to NPOESS with cross calibration to legacy systems. Integrated system to ingest data from wide variety of commercial high-resolution systems.

Enhanced DSS integrating new generation image products, precip. data, and crop models for more accurate crop production assessments

Outcomes: Better information on hot spots
Impacts: Long-term operational sustainability that exploits all available systems

Transition to VIIRS/NPP, and other new data sources as they come on-line. Integrate data into operational systems. Benchmark new capabilities.

Outcomes: New tools to exploit enhanced capability for region-specific modeling and prediction. Ability to compare new data to archive
Impacts: More accurate crop assessments based on new operational capabilities

Evaluate, via data simulations, new data sources (OCO, Aquarius, HYDROS) on predictive capabilities and production estimates.

Outcomes: New tools for analysts to exploit enhanced system capability for region-specific modeling and prediction
Impacts: More accurate production estimates

New MODIS-based vegetation, ET, and TRMM products for CADRE database and crop models

Outcomes: New source of precipitation and land cover data to analysts offering more comprehensive knowledge base for in-season crop monitoring
Impacts: More accurate and timely drought monitoring. Enhanced prediction of yield

Rapid Response Delivery system for daily MODIS products. Reservoir stage products.

Outcomes: New source of data available to analysts offering unprecedented spatial, spectral, and temporal coverage
Impacts: More accurate acreage and production assessments. Earlier detection of potential problem areas

CADRE: DSS that integrates Landsat & AVHRR with limited crop models and coarse gridded weather data



Current

2006

2008

2010

2012

01/09/04

Socioeconomic Impact

Enhanced operational decision support system for prediction and monitoring of agricultural production.



Agricultural Efficiency



Integrated System Solution

EARTH SYSTEM MODELS

- Agricultural Meteorological Model: **AGRMET**
- 2 Layer Soil Moisture Models:
- Crop Models: **CERES**, **AGRISTARS**, **Mass**, **URCROP**, **Sinclair**

**Supported Non-NASA Model*

Data

EARTH OBSERVATORIES

- Land: **Aqua**, **Terra**, **Landsat 7**, **SRTM**, **TOPEX**, **JASON-1**, **NPP**, **NPOESS**, **HYDROS**
- Atmosphere: **TRMM**, **OCO**, **GPM**
- Ocean: **SeaWIFS**, **QuikScat**, **Aqua**, **Aquarius**

**Future Mission*

Predictions

- 12 Month Global Seasonal Surface Temperature/ Soil Moisture/ Precipitation Forecast
- Crop maturity
- Crop yield
- Water availability

- Biomass
- Land Cover/ Use
- Land Surface Topography
- Ocean Surface Currents
- Global Precipitation
- Soil Moisture
- Reservoir level
- Evapotranspiration
- Radiation

Observations

DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS

- **PECAD/CADRE** (Crop Assessment Data Retrieval & Evaluation)
- Generated time series graphs for rainfall, temperature, and soil moisture
- Multi-year time series/ crop comparisons
- Vegetation anomaly detection
- Automated web products

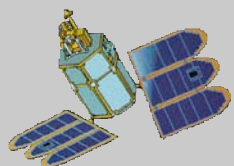
VALUE & BENEFITS

- Early warning of problems in major agricultural commodities
- Better seasonal yield estimates
- Early warning of food shortages
- Greater economic security for agriculture sector

Air Quality Forecast System



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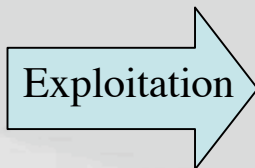
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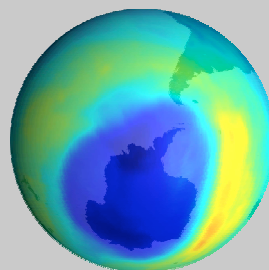
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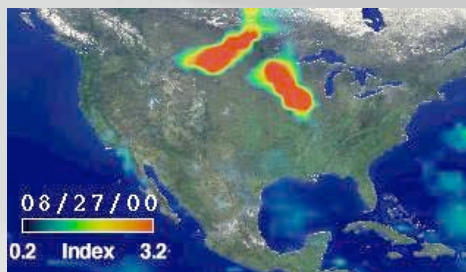
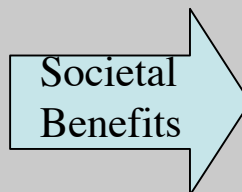
Exploitation



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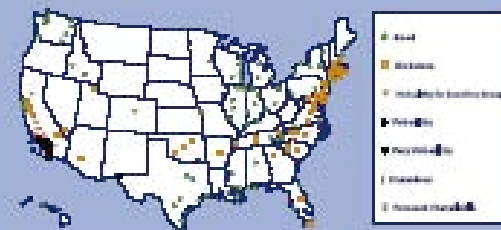


Societal
Benefits

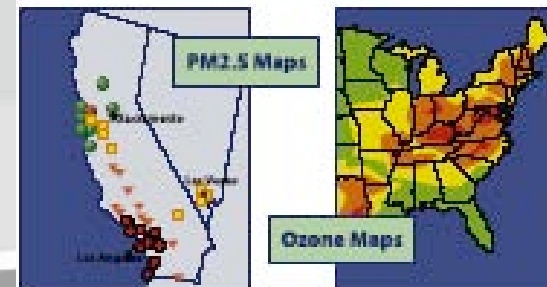


The U.S. EPA has developed the AirNow website to provide the public with easy access to national air quality information. This website offers daily Air Quality Index forecasts as well as real-time conditions for over 300 cities across the U.S.

Ozone and PM2.5 Forecasts



Current Air Quality Conditions

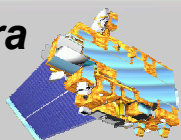


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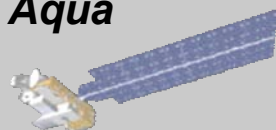
Applying Aerosol Optical Depth for AirNow and Air Quality Forecasting



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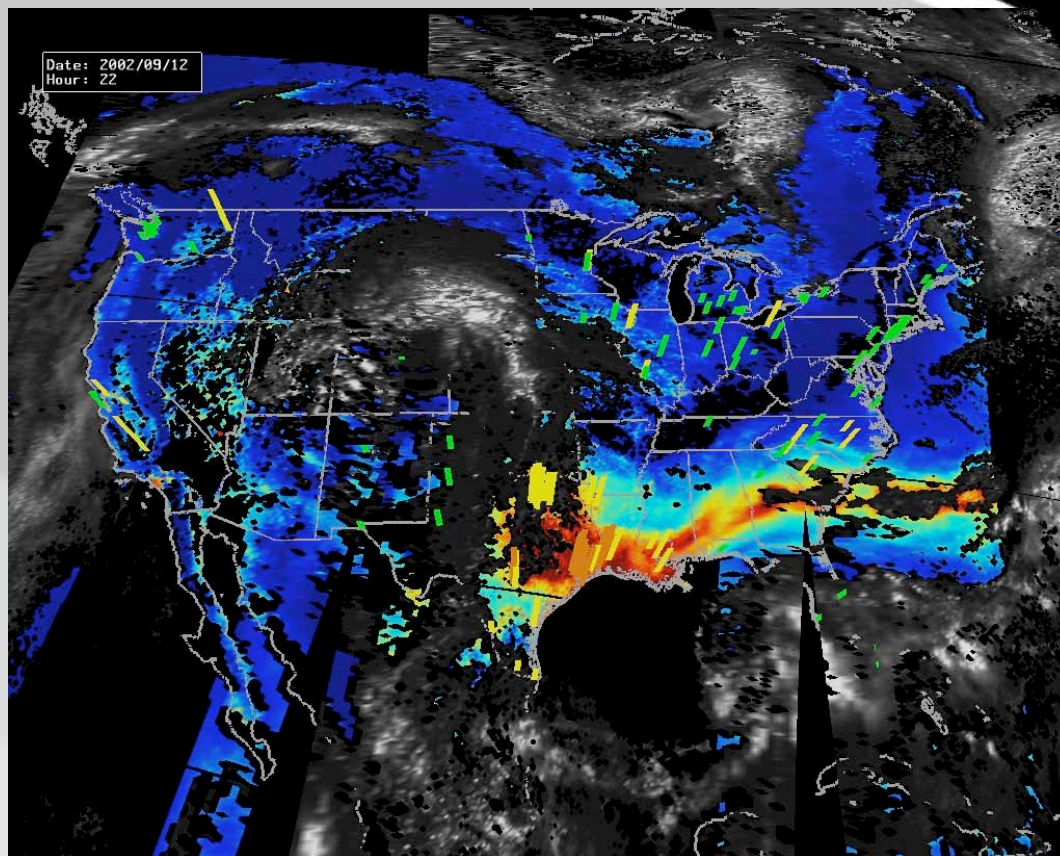


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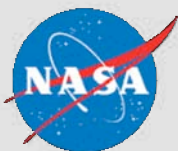


- MODIS Aerosol Optical Depth (AOD) supports EPA/NOAA air quality forecasting & EPA aerosol transport rule making

- Sept. 2003 - successful prototype of technique to deliver



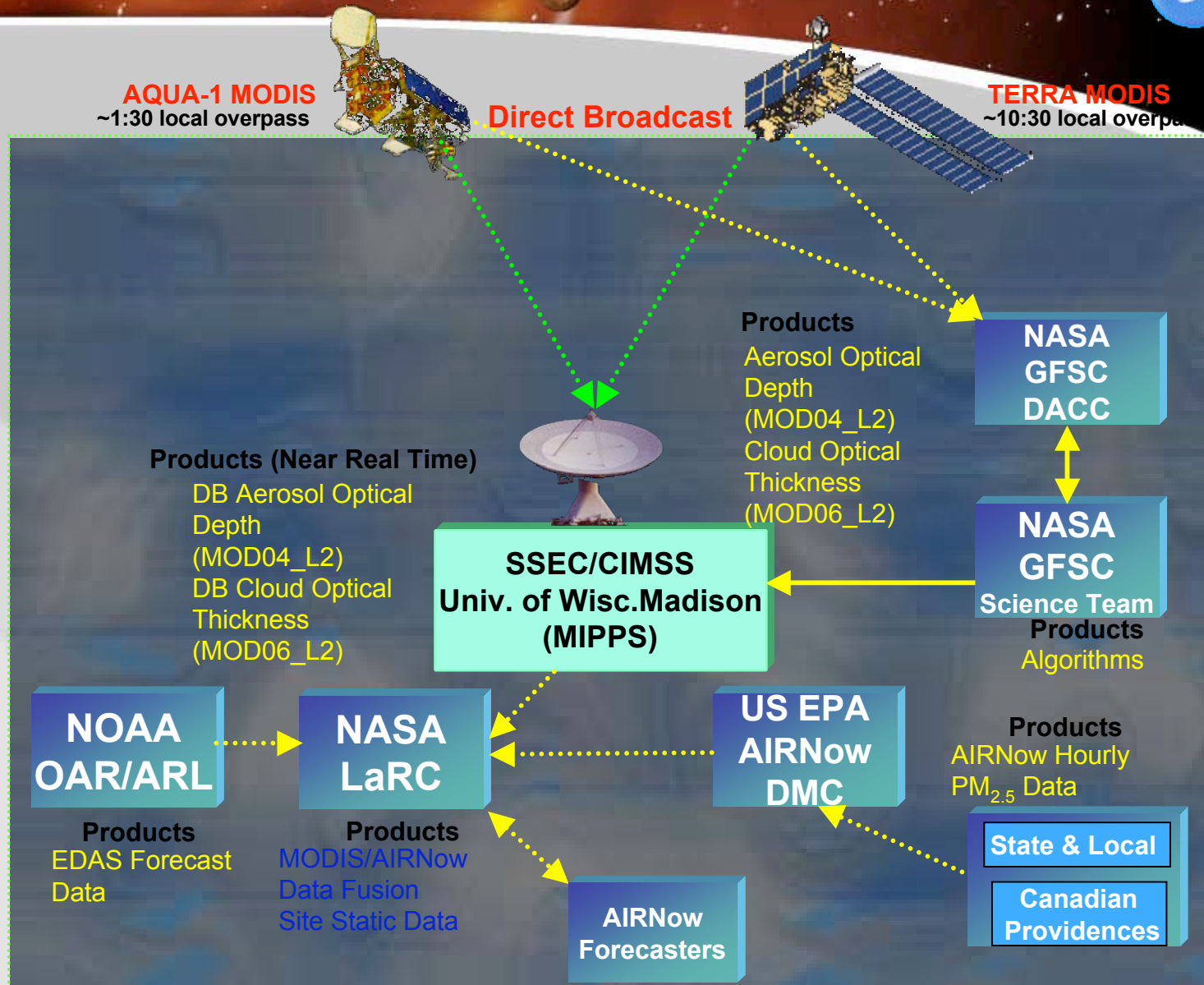
MODIS aerosol optical depth & EPA ground measurements of PM2.5.



EPA AIRNow Use of NASA MODIS



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Satellite Direct
Broadcast of
MODIS
instrument
data via
commercially
available
ground station*



Air Quality

Clean Air Standards and Air Quality Forecasts

State 2 (c. 2015): ESMF

- Robust emissions control planning
- Routine warnings of pollution events
- Multiple-day air quality forecasts

January 2004,
L. Friedl

Simultaneous high-time & space resolved pollutants (O₃, CO, NO_x, SO₂, HCHO, aerosols); local resolution in boundary layer. Nighttime chemistry & transport. Feedbacks betw. aerosols, O₃, H₂O, climate. Chem-radiation coupling in GCMs. Quantify LRT in regional pollution.

Accurate pollution forecasts updated regularly within day. Reduced hospital visits from extreme events. Improved NAAQS planning - fewer non-attainment areas. Insight on mobile emission fluctuations. Advanced, targeted mitigation of impacts from severe episodes.

NPP-NPOESS - ozone trend & aerosols. Feedbacks between O₃, H₂O, and aerosols. Global trop. winds. Geographic evol. of trop. O₃ & aerosols. Lightning NO_x emission inventories. Trop. mixing & BL interaction. Urban-scale heat flux. High-res. soundings.

Clear Skies NO_x/SO₂ Trading Program. Longer lead-time on source & destination of ozone and aerosols. Alerts to re-route airplanes. Alerts to hospitals to expect specific symptoms. Ozone attainment areas. Potential EPA SIP credits for heat island reduction approaches & corresponding state/city policies.

CloudSat & CALIPSO - cloud profiles. Accurate energy & water in MM5. Vertical levels in lower troposphere. Models incorporate radiative forcings. Land-atmos. interactions. Chemistry-transport models. Stratospheric/trop. coupling. Chemistry-climate interactions.

Forecasts of beginning & length of annual "pollution season." Improvements from achievable SIPs - reduced haze, improved visibility in parks, cleaner water, healthier forest ecosystems, reduced lost work/school days. Support US treaty on long-range transport of organic pollutants.

AURA - SO₂, NO_x, NH₃ and aerosol products & IMPROVE network. INTEX-West. NH₃ emissions factors; air dispersion models (NO_x, CO, PM); MM5 & assimilation of surface moisture, heat capacity, insulation. Nested model developments. RAQMS & DAS for daily 3-D ozone.

Support for goals of Clear Skies initiative. Science-based attribution of source emissions. States quantify voluntary stationary emission reductions within 18 months. Heat island effects in local weather and air quality forecasts. Longer-term AQI forecasts. UV-B notice.

AURA - AURA - AURA. Trop. residuals (O₃, NO₂, SO₂, HCHO); NRT NO_x & VOC emission inventories (top-down/bottom-up) for CMAQ & ozone precursors; O₃ assimilations in CMAQ; 3-D global trop. chemistry in GEOS-CHEM; aerosol pattern rendering.

Support 2004 NO_x SIP call. State justify & EPA corroborates claims for foreign-born pollution waivers. Annual EPA analysis of worst 20 pollution events for trends. Extend PM/O₃ forecasting to rural areas - warnings to farmers. Targeted mitigation approaches. Ozone loops in EPA's AQI.

INTEX continental inflow-outflow; ICESat - vertical distribution of dust & clouds; ASTER urban heat flux; Global-to-regional RAQMS - prototype BCs in CMAQ; DAS nested GCM to 0.5° grid. Pollution trajectories & BL deposition of LRT of aerosols. PM network.

States assess emissions control options, development options & emissions strategies to build attainable SIPs. Achievable SIPs improve air quality, public health & economic development opportunities. Urban health alerts for temperature-induced pollution events. EPA guidebook on heat island reduction approaches. States claim waivers for foreign-born pollutants.

MODIS AOD, MOPITT CO, TOMS ozone residuals - correlate to EPA ground measures. Large scale transport of aerosols. GOCART assimilations for B.C.s in models. NRT MODIS-TEOM data fusion.

Policy-Forecasts-Health-Economics. Aerosol transport loops in EPA Air Quality Index (AQI) for regional forecasts. Improved siting for surface monitoring network locations. Support EPA-developed tools for state/locals on regional haze. Evaluate exceptional events for effects on NAAQS violations. EPA PM transport rule making.

State 1 (c.2003)

CMAQ & AIRNow-AQI



TOMS
2003



Aqua/Terra
2005



AERONET
2005



ICESat
2007



Aura
2007



INTEX
2009



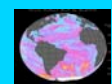
CloudSat
2009



CALIPSO
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Glory
2011



OCO
2013



NPP/NPOESS
2013



GTCM*
2015

* Unfunded

Socioeconomic Impact

Improved capabilities to air quality managers to assess, plan & implement sound-science, emissions control strategies, policy, & air quality forecasts.



Air Quality

Integrated System Solution



EARTH SYSTEM MODELS

- **Aerosol Transport:** *GOCART*
- **Global-Regional Assimiliations:** *RAQMS*
- **Atmospheric Chemistry:** *GEOS-CHEM*
- **Emissions:** *SMOKE*
- **Meteorology:** *MM5, ETA*
- **Air Trajectories:** *NOAA-Hysplit4*

Data

EARTH OBSERVATORIES

- **Aerosols:** *Terra, Aqua, TOMS, Aura, Aeronet, AIRNow, INTEX, CALIPSO, Glory-APS*
- **Ozone & Precursors:** *TOMS, Aura, SAGE III, AIRNow, INTEX*
- **Trace Gases:** *Terra, Aqua, OCO*
- **Clouds:** *Terra, Aqua, CloudSAT, CALIPSO*
- **Land Use/Cover:** *Terra, Aqua, Landsat*
- **Atmospheric Parameters:** *GOES, POES, GIFTS, NPP, NPOES*

Predictions

- Atmospheric state parameters
- Global-to-regional concentrations
- Emissions inventories
- Regional-Global transport
- Trace Gas Sources
- Aerosol properties
- Ozone profiles & columns
- Global-regional boundary conditions
- Data fusion techniques
- Ground-satellite data comparison techniques

Observations

DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS

CMAQ (Community Multi-scale Air Quality modeling system)

- Assess emissions control strategies
- Develop achievable SIPs (State Implementation Plan)
- Assess compliance
- Waivers to air standards
- Quantify voluntary stationary emission reductions

AIRNow & AQI (Air Quality Index)

- Forecast transport of dust/pollutants
- Actions to reduce source emissions
- PM_{2.5} forecasts

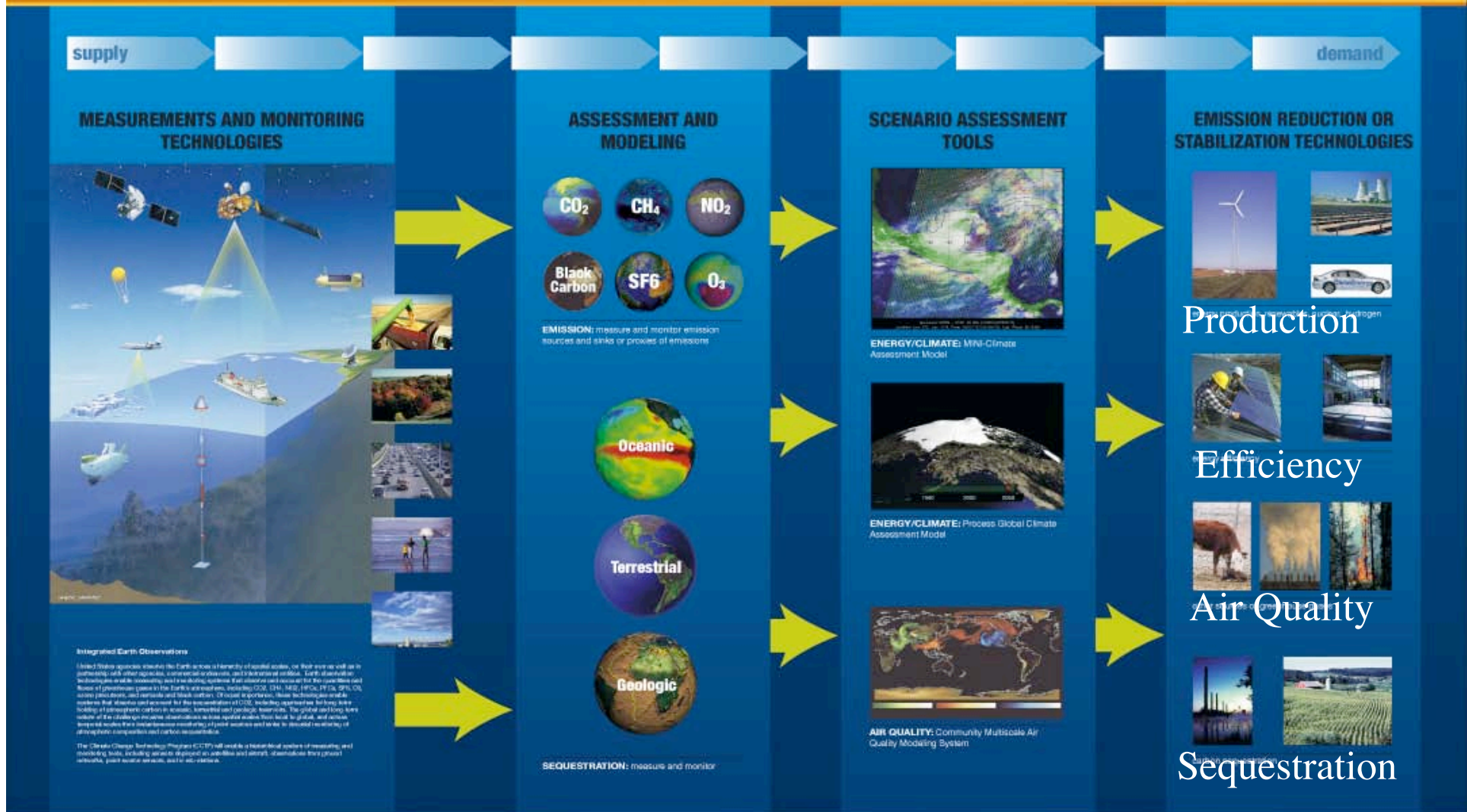
International Treaties

VALUE & BENEFITS

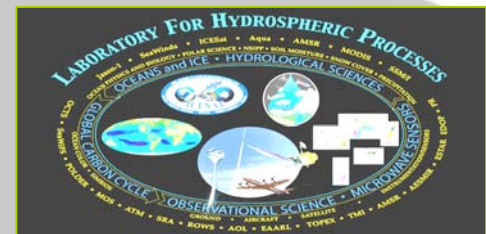
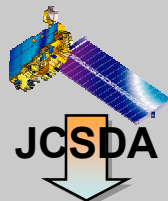
- Reduce lung-related diseases & premature death
- Reduce hospital admissions & use of medicines
- Reduce lost workdays and schooldays
- Improve visibility and reduce haze for tourism
- Improve resiliency of crops; increase yields
- Increase confidence in government
- Improve crop estimates
- Sensitive populations can change activities

Climate Change Technology Program

Measurements and Monitoring Framework for the Climate Change Technology Program Strategy



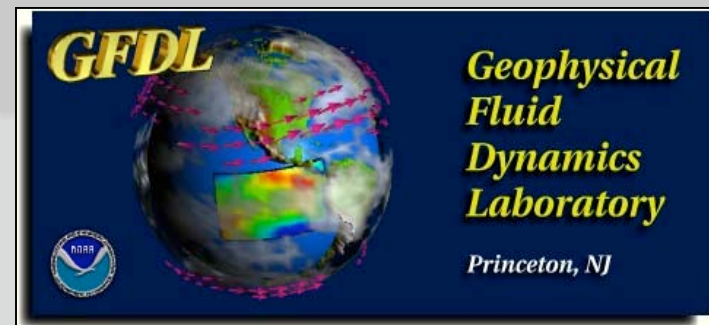
Climate Change Science Program: Reducing & Characterizing Uncertainty



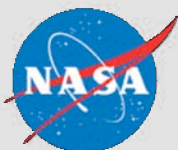
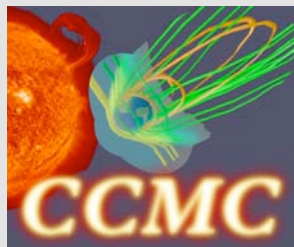
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October 21-23, 2001

Observations to Knowledge Products

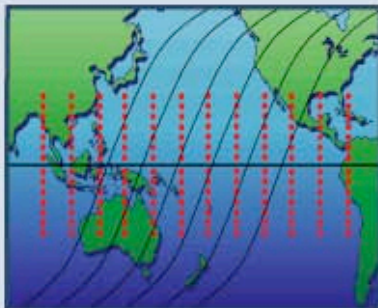
“from photons to electrons to neurons”

Download Speed

Petabytes 10^{15}

Multi-platform, multiparameter, high spatial and temporal resolution, remote & in-situ sensing

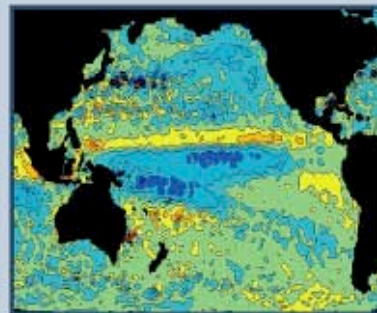
Advanced Sensors



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Calibration, Transformation To Characterized Geo-physical Parameters

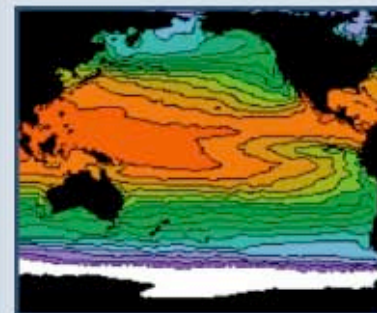
Data Processing & Analysis



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Interaction Between Modeling/Forecasting and Observation Systems

Information Synthesis



Megabytes 10^6

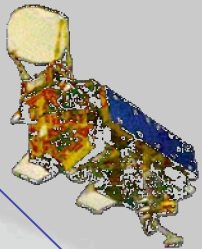
Interactive Dissemination and Predictions

Access to Knowledge



Transition from Research to Operations

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AIRS, AMSU & MODIS



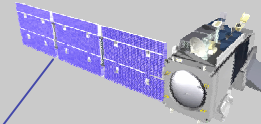
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Coriolis (2003)
WindSat



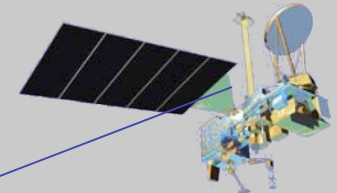
METOP (2005)
IASI/AMSU/MHS & AVHRR



NPP (2006)
CrIS/ATMS
VIIRS
OMPS



NPOESS (2009)
CrIS/ATMS, VIIRS, CMIS,
OMPS & ERBS



*Use of Advanced Sounder Data for Improved
Weather Forecasting & Numerical Weather Prediction*



**NOAA Real-Time Data Delivery Timeline
Ground Station Scenario**

C3S



IDPS



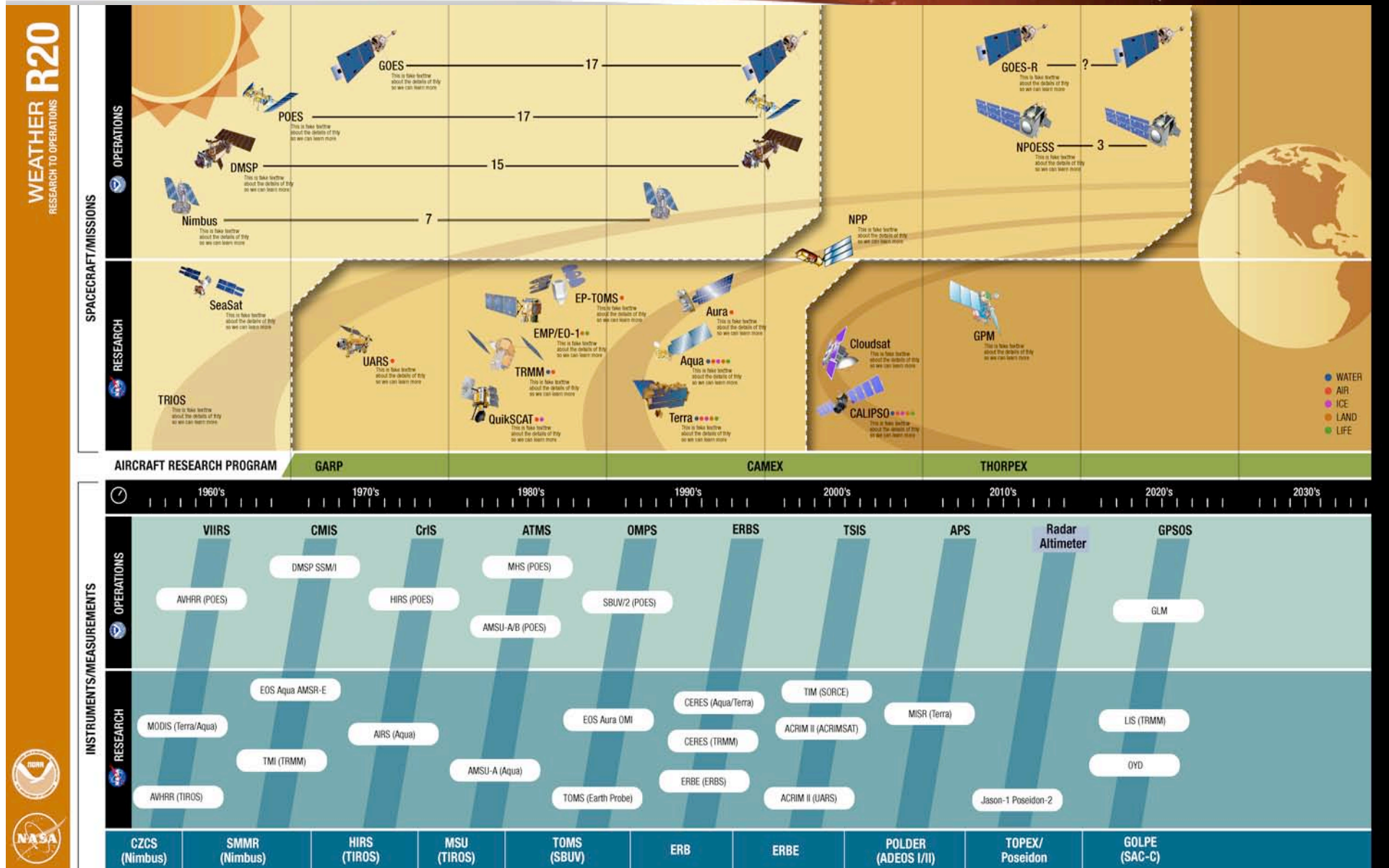
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Real-time
User**

Joint Center for Satellite Data Assimilation

**NWS/NCEP
GSFC/DAO
ECMWF
UKMO
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BMRC-Australia
Met Serv Canada**

**NWP
Forecasts**

Roadmap of R2O for Weather





Additional Information

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Why GEOSS?

■ GEOSS-Global System To Meet Societal Needs

- **No one organization or country can provide comprehensive capacity**
- An integrated international system using remote sensing & in situ systems
- Foundation for sound decision-making: global, regional, & local level

■ Social, Economic, & Science Concerns

- More than half the world's population lives within 60 km of the shoreline, & this could rise to 3/4 by the year 2020
- More than 90% of natural disaster-related deaths occur in developing countries
- 25% of Earth's biological productivity & an estimated 80-90% of global commercial fish catch is concentrated in coastal zones
- Worldwide agricultural benefits of better El Niño forecasts are conservatively estimated at \$450-\$550M/year

■ Basis For Sustainable Development



- Declaration created ad hoc Intergovernmental Group on Earth Observations (GEO) to develop a 10-Year Implementation Plan
- Four Intergovernmental Chairs:
 - Mr. Akio Yuki, Japan
 - Mr. Achilleas Mitsos, European Commission
 - Dr. Rob Adam, South Africa
 - VADM Conrad Lautenbacher, USN (Ret.), United States



- Held in Tokyo, Japan
 - Prime Minister Koizumi gave keynote address
- 43 Ministers & Heads of Delegation present
- 25 International Organizations represented
- Adopted Framework for Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)
- Adopted Ministerial Communiqué





- Brussels, Belgium on Feb.16, 2005
- GEO 6
 - Goal to iron out last editorial issues with Implementation Plan
- Agreement on Implementation Plan and Resolution
 - Ministers to receive Reference Document as Basis of Plan
- Set up new GEO Structure and Secretariat
 - WMO offer to host

